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In re: Application of: Lee B. Hansen, et al. Reel/Frame: 011180/0159
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Title: AUTHORIZATION KEY SYSTEM FOR SELECTIVELY CONTROLLING THE
PERFORMANCE OF A DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The Notice of Allowance did not provide any Examiner's statement of Reasons for Allowance. The elements claimed were not found in the cited prior art, and the cited prior art would not render the claimed invention invalid under 35 USC §102. With respect to 35 USC §103, the requirements of establishing a *prima facie* case of obviousness, including (1) a showing that the prior art teaches the entire claimed invention where all limitations are to be considered, and (2) that combining various prior art references is (a) suggested in the art and (b) there would be motivation to make the combination with a likelihood of success, have not been satisfied.

Unless otherwise advised, these comments are intended, to be clarifying in a manner consistent with the law.

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